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Board of Trustees Action Items

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Board Approves New Process for Oil & Gas Operators – During Tuesday night's meeting, the Board of Trustees approved on Second Reading, an amendment to the Town's Unified Development Code (Title 10 of the Town of Erie Municipal Code) that creates a new process for oil & gas operators. The amendment creates a process in lieu of the Town's existing Special Review Use and Site Plan procedures for mineral extraction (including oil/gas drilling) when an Operator Agreement has been entered into between an oil & gas well operator and the Board of Trustees. The amendment was prepared and presented by the Town's Special Counsel Barbara Green (SullivanGreenSeavy, LLC) as per the Board's direction.

The current process for mineral extraction requires an oil & gas operator to make Special Review Use and Site Plan applications to the Town for each well pad. Both of these applications require a review before the Planning Commission with a final review and decision by the Board of Trustees. All other oil & gas drilling operations not identified in a Board approved Operator Agreement will continue with the current process which includes the Special Review Use and Site Plan applications as identified above.

Board Approves Supplemental Appropriations – The Board approved the 2015 Supplemental Appropriation Request for July which represents staff's conservative and prudent estimates for providing on-going, quality services to customers for 2015.

Revenues: This Supplemental Appropriation includes total revenues (inclusive of interfund transfers) amounting to \$49.0 million, an increase of \$1.1 million over the 2015 Adopted Budget. Accounting for the majority of this increase are development-related fees and grants. Additional information on these revenue changes can be found in the attached memorandum and detail of changes.

Expenditures: The Supplemental Appropriation includes expenditures amounting to \$66.2 million in all funds (of which \$34.3 million are for capital expenditures). This represents an increase of \$17.8 million in expenditures over the 2015 Adopted Budget, of which all but \$0.3 million are for capital expenditures. This increase reflects additional appropriation requests amounting to \$0.3 million, rollovers for capital projects from 2014 of \$17.2 million and \$0.2 million in additional requests already approved by the Board.

BACKGROUND: At least twice yearly, staff reviews the adopted budget and year-to-date actual



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revenues and expenditures. Based on these reviews, staff requests supplemental appropriations to update the budget to reflect actual revenues and expenditures of the prior and current year, year-to-date Board of Trustee actions, and projected revenues and expenditures for the remaining fiscal year.

[View the 2015 1st Supplemental Appropriations.](#)

Board Considers Denial of Wise Farms Rezoning; Planned Unit Development and Preliminary Plat Applications – In three separate actions, the Board considered denial of a revised Ordinance 15-2015 denying the proposed Rezoning of the Wise Farms property; considered a revised Ordinance 16-2015 denying the proposed the Wise Farms PUD Zoning Map Overlay Rezoning and considered a revised Resolution 15-66 denying the proposed the Wise Farms Preliminary Plat.

BACKGROUND: During their June 23, 2015 meeting, the Board recommended denial of the Wise Farms Rezoning, Planned Unit Development (PUD) Overlay Rezoning and Preliminary Plat applications. The Board further directed staff to bring back new ordinances and a resolution for their consideration that provides for their denial criteria, including but not limited to:

- The Rezoning is not consistent with the Town's Comprehensive Master Plan and the purposes of this UDC;
- The Rezoning is likely to result in significant adverse impacts upon other property in the vicinity of the subject property;
- Future uses on the subject property will not be compatible in scale with uses on other properties in the vicinity of the subject property.

The Wise Farms property is approximately 176 acres in size and is located south of Jasper Road and west of 119th Street. The Board will consider the ordinances on Second Reading and consider the resolution during their July 28th meeting.

View complete July 14, 2015 Board of Trustees Meeting Packet [here](#).

Engage Erie – View the most recent activity on the Town's new social engagement site, [Engage Erie](#).

Upcoming Board of Trustees Meetings – The Board will meet for a Comprehensive Plan Stakeholders Meeting on Tuesday, July 21, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. The next regularly scheduled [Board of Trustees](#) meeting will be on Tuesday, July 28, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. All meetings are held in the [Town Hall boardroom](#) located at 645 Holbrook Street in Erie.

More Information – Board of Trustees Action Items are brief summaries of some, but not all, agenda items and do not serve as the official meeting minutes. Select this link to view archived Board of Trustees meeting online via the [On Demand Video](#) service. To request approved meeting minutes of Board of Trustees meetings, please contact the Town Clerk's Office at nparker@erieco.gov.